

In accordance with 38 U.S.C. 8301, VA is authorized to accept donations or gifts for the benefit of patients. This list of needs is provided to inform potential donors or gift givers of the needs of the local facility to "care for those who have borne the battle."

Financial Donation Opportunities

The following is a list of financial donation opportunities at the V.A. Boston Healthcare System. Your donations are greatly appreciated. *GPF= General Post Fund*

GPF 5201 Veterans General Welfare Account-Brockton Campus:

Donations used to assist veterans with needs during their stay at the hospital, including toiletries, underwear, wheel chair bags, walker bags, and general patient activities; Also used to support the Patient Coffee Cart Program.

GPF 5002-Veterans General Welfare Account-Jamaica Plains Campus

Donations used to assist veterans with needs during their stay at the hospital, including toiletries, underwear, wheel chair bags, walker bags, and general patient activities; Also used to support the Patient Coffee Cart Program.

GPF 5101-Veterans General Welfare Account-West Roxbury Campus

Donations used to assist veterans with needs during their stay at the hospital, including toiletries, underwear, wheel chair bags, walker bags, and general patient activities; Also used to support the Patient Coffee Cart Program.

GPF 5028-Adaptive Sports Fund

Donations used to support special needs of Adaptive Sports by provides life changing experiences for Wounded Veterans with disabilities and chronic illnesses through sport.

GPF 5279 Creative Arts Festival Fund:

Donations used to support special needs of the creative arts as one form of rehabilitative treatment to help Veterans recover from and cope with physical and emotional disabilities.

GPF 5009 Fisher House:

Donations used to support special needs of the Fisher House.

GPF 5202 Recreation Program Brockton Campus:

Donations used to facilitate patient therapeutic activities for leisure education programs, such as admission to sporting events, movies, and providing lunch for patients while on community outings.

GPF 5102 Recreation Program West Roxbury Campus:

Donations used to facilitate patient therapeutic activities for leisure education programs, such as admission to sporting events, movies, and providing lunch for patients while on community outings.

GPF 5075 Respite Care Palliative Care:

Donations used to support special needs of Veteran patients and their families in Respite Care/ Palliative Care.

Online donations can be made via <http://www.boston.va.gov/giving/index.asp>.

Monetary Donations can be made through E-Donate or mailed and made payable to:

V.A Boston Healthcare System
ATTN: Voluntary Service (135)
940 Belmont Street
Brockton, MA. 02301

V. A Boston Healthcare System
ATTN: Voluntary Service (135)
1400 VFW Parkway
West Roxbury, MA. 02132

V. A Boston Healthcare System
ATTN: Voluntary Service (135)
150 S Huntington Ave
Jamaica Plain, MA.02130

*In the memo portion of the check, please indicate the GPF # and the intent.
If applicable, please include "In Memory" information, including who to notify
of donation, on a separate sheet.*



SUGGESTED NON-MONETARY DONATIONS

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- Afghan (bed size)
- Lap Robes, Wheel chair & Walker bags
- New pajamas
- New Socks
- New Shoes (Unisex)
- New or **Dry cleaned** gently used clothing. (men & women) We cannot accept clothing that has not been dry cleaned. Dry cleaned clothing must be on hangers and in original dry-cleaning packaging.
- New undergarments in unopened packages
- New Seasonal Caps/Hats /Gloves
- Playing Cards
- Puzzles (new & under 500 pieces)
- DVD's Blue Rays
- Word Find Books / Sudoku /Sketch Books
- Reading Glasses
- New/Gently used Board Games
- New/Gently used Wii or PlayStation 4 games
- New/Gently used handheld games & batteries
- Electronic Bingo game system

TRAVEL SIZE TOILETRY ITEMS

- toothpaste/toothbrush
- Shampoo/conditioner/body wash
- powder, deodorant, shaving cream, lotion, non-alcoholic mouthwash
- combs, brushes, nail clippers, hand held mirrors

READING/STATIONARY

- Hard Cover Books
- Paperback Books, Crossword Puzzle books
- Word Find Books / Sudoku /Sketch Books
- Magazines (no more than six months old)
- Books on DVD/CD

ITEMS WE CANNOT ACCEPT:

- Anything containing alcohol or tobacco
- Anything with glass
- Inappropriate reading material
- Any items that are in unacceptable condition
- Computers/VHS tapes/cassette tapes
- Furniture
- Wheelchairs
- Prosthetic items
- Medical Equipment of any kind

Donation drop offs are scheduled 24 hours ahead of time for items

We do not accept unattended donations. Please contact the Voluntary Service Office

Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. to coordinate acceptance of your donation.

VA accepting officials may decide to reject offers of gifts or donations of items for any reason including because there is no anticipated need for the items or the maintenance of the items would be out of proportion to their value. We are responsible for providing safe and clean donations. Items that do not meet these criteria will be refused.

The Internal Revenue Service has announced that under the Tax Code, donations to the Department of Veterans Affairs' General Post Fund for exclusively public purposes are deductible from federal income taxes in the manner and to the extent allowable. The announcement reflects the tax law provision which makes those donations deductible as "donations to the United States." A donation to support any of the Department's programs are deductible, whether the donor directs that the donated funds be used for a specific purpose or allows the Department to decide how the donated funds will be used.

Please contact by calling (617) 232-9500 press 0 for the operator and ask for the closest Campus of Voluntary Service Office of the Boston V.A. Healthcare System or email: vhabhsvolunteer@va.gov to arrange for acceptance of your donation.

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Brockton Campus
940 Belmont Street
Brockton, MA. 02301**

**Building 3 Room GB108
West Roxbury Campus
1400 VFW Parkway
West Roxbury, MA. 02132**

**Main Building 3rd floor Room E3-95
Jamaica Plain Campus
150 S Huntington Ave
Jamaica Plain, MA.02130**

V.A. Boston Healthcare System

Book and Magazine Donation Guideline

Overview

The V.A. Boston welcomes donations of hardbacks and paperbacks. These donations help enrich and improve our resources. V.A. Boston accepts books as donations with the understanding that they may be added to the collection or distributed throughout the medical center.

Guidelines for Accepting Donations

VA Boston has a responsibility for providing a safe and clean environment for our Veterans therefore donations in good condition are appreciated cannot have:

- Mold or mildew
- Wet pages
- Insect markings or droppings
- Large areas of pages previously wet but now dry
- Spider webs
- Excessive dust
- Cigarette smoke odor

If we receive materials meeting any of the criteria listed above, they will be destroyed. Please understand that materials donated should always be in good condition.

Receipts

The V.A. Boston Voluntary Service staff are unable to appraise donations for tax purposes. Non-monetary donations will be acknowledged with a letter of appreciation. Monetary donations are acknowledged with a letter and a receipt.

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